scornfully reprints his Hastings speech and asks POLITICS ARE what reciprocity without protection can mean.

Mr. James Lowther has been the leading spirit in the conference at St. James's Hall in favor of protection for home industries, and the establishment of preferential trade relations with all parts of the Empire. These outbreaks in favor of protection would be more frequent if the Democratic party in America had not altered the tariff in the interest of English exporters.

The improved trade with the United States has been the chief blessing of the year for England. November trade returns show a gain of three and a half million dollars in exports of textiles over the same mouth last year, and this is caused largely by increased business with the United States. The growth of woollen and worsed exports has been tenfold, and cottons and other textiles run up more than one-half. Even the decline of 30 per cent in tinplate is made up by a large increase in exports under the iron schedule. It is not strange that the English refuse to believe that Mr. Cleveland is a wicked lingo, whatever he may write about Venezuela.

Fernand Ortmans, Editor of the new international review, "Cosmopolis," which will be published simultaneously in seven great cities, has no intention of leaving American writers out of his scheme. The first number will contain a story by Henry James, and the list of American contributors will soon be filled out. There will be four stories in the opening number, eleven general articles, and literary, dramatic and political chronicles in English, French and German. Mr. Ortmans has secured a brilliant staff of contributors for this three-language review, and the appearance of the first number early in January promises to be an important literary event.

Fisher Unwin, the publisher of "Cosmopolis," will also issue, early in the spring, Henry Norman's "Near Fast." The author is revising a series of twenty letters which recently appeared in "The Chronicle," and will add much fresh material. The Scribners will publish it in New-

Mme. Sarah Grand has nearly finished her new novel, which she considers a stronger and more interesting work that. "The Heavenly Twins." The title is not yet announced, but she describes the book as the unfolding of a life and the subject as one especially adapted for the great audience of readers of her own sex which she addressed in the former book. Having put her whole force into the work and rewritten the greater part of it, she prefers to have it read without a break, and consequently has declined offers for serial publication in England and America. American publishers have competed sharply for the book rights, but the manager of Appleton's London house has purchased them this week.

Mrs. Burnett astonished her audience at the Vagabonds' dinner by the facility with which she made herself heard in King's Hall in response to a toast by Mr. Frankfort Moore in her honor She made a graceful speech, which was pronounced one of the best ever listened to by that unique body of Bohemians. It was ladles' night, and the company was a large one.

Mr. Hall Caine has not yet come to London from the Isle of Man, but "The Chronicle" has printed a long talk with him, filled with appreciation of the kindness shown him in the United States and Canada. The opinion here is that the compromise of the copyright question will be carried out. The Foreign and Colonial Offices are certainly pleased with his success. Sir Walter Besant heartily approves the basis of settlement, and asserts that the Authors' Society will support it loyally. The publishers are more reticent, but are strongly influenced by the fact that their associates in America are not disposed to offer resistance to the plan proposed. It now seems probable that Canada, by acting promptly in passing a modified act, will obtain the sanction of the Colonial Office. The result will be a compromise in which every one concerned gains something and loses something, but the settlement of a vexatious question may be an advantage all around.

Sir Matthew White-Ridley, the Home Secretary, made a clumsy reference to an interesting event in the life of the royal family. In excusing himself from a political engagement he said: ing himself from a political engagement he said: lain. Secretary of State for the Colonies, to the "Unluckily, it so happens that the duties of my Governors of the various British colonies, has office require me to be within reach of Sandringham." He is not a good courtier, or he would the sphere of immediate practical politics. "The not have said "unluckily" in referring to the unless the colonies construct to shealthe from train Duchess of York. The birth of a son was announced this morning with loud acclaim.

The accident which befell the Prince of Wales while shooting was painful, but not serious. While he was aiming at a bird directly above him a spark was blown into one of his eyes. This was at Hall Barn, Bucks, where Sir Edward Lawson had a large company to meet him, Mr. W. W. Astor being one of the guests,

The pictorial press has vulgar illustrations of the parting scene between the princely warrior who is off for the Ashantee campaign and his royal wife. Military men smile over the attempts of royal personages to win their spurs by

burlesque campaigning. The new Bishop of Winchester has joined issue with a ritualistic rector of his diocese. The Rev. R. Dolling built a new church at Portsmouth and wished to erect an additional altar for the celebration of mass for the dead, without communicants. The Bishop declined to sanction the project, and objected to other practices in the church. The rector resigned, but his parishioners held a meeting and asked him to remain. He replied that he considered it his duty as a priest to exercise sacrificial powers in behalf of the dead as well as of the living, and that the mass without communicants was essential. It is not probable that the Bishop will abandon his ground, but he will find it difficult to replace the rector, whose people are devoted to him. He must act, since the rector is now in open revolt. The incident lights up afresh the ritualistic con-

troversy in the English Church. A different episode was the humorous speech made by the Rev. Mr. Rogers, the venerable rector of St. Botolph's, at an entertainment in Bishopsgate, where he introduced Mr. Bancroft. the actor, who read Dickens's "Christmas Carol." The good man surprised his audience by talking about theatres and giving extracts from "Othello" and "Macbeth" with marked dramatic power, pausing suddenly with "Lay on, Macduff." and asking innocently what was the next

The dense fog enveloping England this week had its tragic and comic incidents. The sinking of the Cumbrae by the Germanic off the mouth of the Mersey was a disaster which brought out fine qualities of seamanship. The captain of the White Star steamer showed presence of mind in holding the two ships together until everybody had been rescued. Even Lord Dunraven had no fault to find with the conduct of the officers. The rescue of the theatrical company which had been playing "Saved from the Sea" was a comic incident. More ludicrous was the 'Varsity football game in West Kensington, played in a thick fog while 10,000 spectators looked on and saw nothing Cambridge won, in spite of a good defence by the



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Oxford backs, but the players were entirely lost to view during the game, and could barely see

Barney Barnato's partner, Woolfe Joel, and Frank Gardner, known as the Barnato of Australia, recently won \$76,000 at Monte Carlo by backing the red twelve times, the figure nine scoring nine times running. To celebrate their luck, they gave a red dinner at the Savoy to thirty guests, most of them Kaffir millionaires. The room was draped in red; the menus were printed in red, with the wheel and the figure nine prominent; the flowers were red throughout; the shades of the electric lights were red; the waiters were red ties, gloves and buttons; Monte Carlo was shown on its rock in ices, crowned with roulette tables; the band played "The Man Who Broke the Bank at Monte Carlo"; and to com plete the simile of Rouge et Noir, at the end of the dinner the red waiters were replaced by negroes, who served black coffee. Barnato was present, but said nothing. The speech of the evening was made by Joel, the winner, who, in spite of his own luck, strongly advised the guests not to try roulette too often. Perhaps Barnato would have added that Kaffirs were equally uncertain. The red dinner was a curious sequel to the recent worship of the golden calf at the Mansion House. Hereafter the ace of diamonds will be included in the Kaffirs' coat of arms. I. N. F. .

TO HELP BRITISH FARMERS

UNCERTAIN MEASURES FOR RELIEF PROMISED BY THE GOVERNMENT

FUSION OF THE IRISH PARTY-M'CARTHY MAY MAKE WAY FOR REDMOND-IN MEM-

> ORY OF THE PRINCE CONSORT AND PRINCESS ALICE.

London, Dec. 14.-The Right Hon. A. Akers Douglas, First Commissioner of Works, who represents the East Division of Kent in the House of ommons, has assured his constituents that the Government will introduce measures in the House for the relief of the prevailing agricultural dis tress, and that these measures will be made the first business of the session, which will begin on February 11, 1896. As the Ministers are still undecided what form the relief measures will take, Mr. Akers-Douglas was unable to give any definite in-formation concerning them. A forecast of the Government's proposals, based on various official utterances, includes, besides modifications in the system of land taxation, a bounty on the wheat products of the United Kingdom. Prime Minister Salisbury's declaration against a protective tariff is held in Conservative circles to be quite consistent is held in Conservative circles to be quite consistent with the acceptance of the bounty system. In any event, unless the Government produces a measure that an influential section of its supporters will deem effective, no habits of obedience that have long controlled the Conservatives will prevent a disruption of the party. There are 222 members of the House of Commons pledged to maintain the programme of the National Agricultural Union, and they will not accept other than a substantial instalment of their demands. "If the Government fall to satisfy us somehow," said a leading agriculturalist at a conference of the Union, "let us make a clean sweep of them." This proposition was received with thunders of applause. Another plank in the programme of the Union declares for preferential trading between all parts of the British Empire. This programme obtains, besides the growing support of the Liberals.

The circular of the Right Hon. Joseph Chamber raised the question of an imperial Zollverein into unless the colonies consent to absolute free trade with the mother country, but the tone of the Conservative and some of the Liberal papers tends to the acceptance of the resolution adopted by the late intercolonial conference at Ottawa, which declared in favor of granting to Great Britain only a preferential tariff over foreign countries

It is expected that the International Conference of the Irish parties will be arranged to be held in Dublin in April. The Anti-Parnellites, who are projecting the conference, desire that all sections be represented, including the Extremists. It is recognized that if the Conference aims to do anything practical all the delegates must promise to accepfind that the meeting is likely to result in some uniformity of policy, the Conference will not be convened. When some basis of agreement is obtained, Justin McCarthy, the leader of the Anti-Parnellites, proposes to retire from the leadership, leaving it to the Conference to select a new chief. John Dillon will start to-day from Rome, where he has been spending part of his honeymoon. He is returning to assist in the deliberations. If the hopes of earnest Nationalists are realized, the Conference will put an end to the factionalism now prevailing, and no personal jealousies will be allowed to debar a reunion. In speaking of the leadership it can be said that many Anti-Parnellites would not hesitate to accept William Redmond, the Parnellite leader, who, it is now admitted, is among the best speakers and most capable politicians belonging to the Irish-Parliamentary party. Thomas Sexion would be preferred as the ablest Parliamentary tactician, as well as the greatest Irish orator in the House of Commons, but unless the Conference should give him an almost unanimous vote he will not be likely to accept. find that the meeting is likely to result in some uni-

The publisher of "The University Press," in an interview, remarks that the public has made no marked demand for the revised Apocrypha. An Americal committee did not take part in the re-vision. The orders from the United States were so small that no precautions were taken to keep the new text, secret. Since the work was issued the English orders have increased, but, compared with the million copies of the revised Testament, which were sold on the day of publication, the Apoerypha was nowhere.

While the joy-bells were ringing to-day for the While the joy-bells were ringing to-day for the birth of a son to the Duke and Duchess of York, the Queen, Princess Beatrice, the Prince of Wales and his family and all the other members of the royal family, with the exception of the Duke of York and the Duke and Duchess of Teck, the parents of the Duchess of York, attended the annual service at the Prognore Mausoleum in memory of the Prince Consort, who died thirty-four years ago to-day, and Princess Alice, second daughter of the Queen and wife of the Grand Duke of Hesse, who died seventeen years ago to-day.

wife of the Grand Diag of Resse, who died seven-teen years ago to-day.

The Queen will go to Osborne House, her residence on the Isle of Wight, on Tuesday. The present sea-son has been the greatest guest period at Winder Castle for years. There has been a constant suc-cession of entertainments at the Castle, at which the Queen unfailingly appeared.

GENERAL BARATIERI TO BE RECALLED. MORE ITALIAN TROOPS CALLED OUT-THE MINIS-

TER OF JUSTICE NOT TO RETIRE. London, Dec. 14.—The correspondent of the Central News in Rome says that General Baratleri, mmanding the Italian forces in Abyssinia, is to

Rome, Dec. 14.—King Humbert has signed a decree calling into active service the solders of the 1873 class. Premier Crispi has refused to accept the resigna-tion of Signor Callenda, Minister of Justice, who desired to withdraw in consequence of the de-cision of the Chamber of Peputies yesterday in the matter of sending ex-Premier Giolitii before the High Court of Justice to answer the charges made against him in coanection with the Banca Romana scandal, the decision being adverse to the Ministry of Justice.

TWO SPANISH MINISTERS RETIRE. AT ODDS WITH THE GOVERNMENT ON THE MAD-

RID SCANDAL AND THE CUBAN CAMPAIGN. Madrid, Dec. 14.-The only members of the Min istry who have resigned are Senor Romero y Rob-ledo, Minister of Justice, and Senor Bosch, Minisier of Public Works. Sefor Canovas del Cascillo, President of the Council of Ministers, has informed the Queen Regent of the withdrawal of these Ministers. The grounds of their retirement are that they differ with the Government's policy in regard to the alleged frauds in the Madrid Municipal Council and in the conduct of the campaign in Cuba.

N. Clark, restaurateur. Twenty-third-st., opposite Fifth Avenue Horel. Rooms for dinners and receptions. Monus and estimates on application.

NO REPLY FROM THE BENCHES

SOCIALISTS VOCIFERATE UNCHALLENGED IN THE REICHSTAG.

MINISTERS UNABLE TO MATCH THE ORATORY OF RICHTER, BEBEL AND HAUSSMANN-FINAN-CIAL SITUATION MORE HOPEFUL-MR. DE KAY'S FENCING CLUB STRUG-

GLING FOR EXISTENCE. Berlin, Dec. 14.—The bill defining and prohibiting illegal competition in transactions on the Bourse worried through a desultory debate in the Chamber of the Reichstag to-day before almost empty nches, and was finally referred to a commission of the Chamber, consisting of twenty-one members, bly defective is the debuting power of the occupants of the Ministerial benches compared with that of of Herren Richter, Bebel, Haussmann and other eaders of the Socialist and Radical parties. The remarks made by General Bronsart von Schel-

press the Socialists the latter would find the action of the army to be no child's play, was felt even in Government circles as an exhibition of coarse in vective. The character of the General's remarks, however, enabled Herr Haussmann to characterize his speech as a tirade only suited to excite applause in regimental messrooms and admiration in barrack yards. It was pitiable, too, to see how the Ministers and their adherents sat stolldly in their seats ilstening to Herr Bebel, as without remonstrance he soiled the memory of Prince Bismarck in con nection with the Government's adoption of the forner Chanceller's policy against Socialists. Among the many newspaper comments upon this incident the "Börsen Zeitung" says, and justly, too: "Not one of the long row of Ministers rose to refute Herr Bebel's slanders and his wildest violations of the truths of German history. Even when he assails the Commans who have written that history with their where. ed it is sorrowful to think that nobody on the lovernment benches possesses the courage or ability cope with Herr Hebel in a political combat."

Baron Marschall von Bleberstein, the Minister of Foreign Affairs, from whom some response was expected, completely ignored Herr Bebei's references to Prince E.smarck, but promptly sprang to his feet to defend Assessor Wehlan, a minor official in | value. the Foreign Department, when that gentleman's name was casually mentioned in connection with the infomous Herr Liest, formerly Chancellor of the Cameroons, in the scandals and outrages which caused Liest's prosecution and dismissal. The Foreign Minister boiled over with rage at the attack upon his subordinate, but he allowed his old chief, Prince Bismarck, to be stigmatized in the open House as a forger of dispatches without raising .

Except in the case of the Conservative press the consensus of newspaper opinion becomes more and more opposed to the continuance of the repressive measures against socialists. The "Vorwaris," the leading Socialist paper, publishes a list of nity-six convictions for the offence of "leas majesty" within the last three months, the persons so convicted including members of the Reichstag, journalists and even comic singers, who have introduced allusions to the Kalser in their songs. A number of these convictions and a still greater number of charges, the paper says, arose from the utterance of alleged insulting comments upon the Kalser in the streets in the hearing of the police, and in many cases informers in private life actuated by personal spite, have caused acrests upon real or spurious charges. The "Voss che Zeitung" says that under such a system some degree of public sympathy is extended to Socialists under the conviction that they ought to them for actions which are permitted to other partisans," the "Zeitung" says, "the right will soon seem to be on their side, The Agrarian and the anti-Semites have aims not a jot less subversive than Socialism, and one law ought to be applied to all." onsensus of newspaper opinion becomes more an

all."

In the mean time the Socialists are tremendously energetic under the stimulus of prosecution and their frequent mass-meetings are greatly crowded and immensely enthusiastic. In deference to the law they have adopted a very noticeable and ingenious innovation. Hitherto at such meetings cheers were proposed for "international revolution and Socialism." Now they cheer for "international liberation," which is rather a distinction without a difference.

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The Socialist members of the Reichstag have deposited in the Chamber proposals for the abolishment of the penal code punishing the offence of "les-majesty." affirming the liberty of meeting, abrogating the dictatorial powers of the Statthalter (Governor) of the Reichsland and demanding universal suffrage in elections for all local parliaments in Germany. In consonance with the latter proposal, the Socialist members of the parliament of Saxony have introduced a bill demanding universal suffrage. The Conscrutives opposed the bill, but the Ministers announced that they would promote a bill for a similar class of suffrage as that in vogue in Prussia.

Dr. Stöcker, formerly Court Chaplain, celebrated his sixtleth birthday on Wednesday, when he was the recipient of evations at two great public meet-At a Christian Socialist reunion Dr. Stöcker told his admirers that if certain circles in authority had not been blind his party would have long ago vanquished the Social Democrats of Berlin. He reminded them that the party once counted more votes than the Socialists did. When they first started the movement they got 70,000 in Berlin alone. If Christian Socialism ever should prevail, he said, it would be the destruction of Socialism and Anarchism.

Prince Bismarck has informed the Emperor that I his health permits he will attend the State ban-quet at the Schloss on January 18.

The financial situation on the eve of the Christmas helidays, which will extend from December 22 to January 2, is more hopeful than could possibly have been anticipated a month age. Confidence training, and it is generally expected that there will be a rise of prices at the beginning of the new year, especially in sound investments. At present even first-class stocks are considerably below dividend-paying values.

Franklin Sinclair, halling from Philadelphia, was sentenced to-day in the Hanover assizes to ten years' penal servitude for robbing the Hanover Reichsbank.

Dr. Leipziger, Editor of the "Kleine Journal," has fortress for challenging Dr. Lowenstein to fight a duel; and Richard Skowronnek, the playwright, has been condemned to fourteen days' imprisonment for carrying the challenge.

The American promoters of the Fencing Club proposed by Charles De Kay, United States Consul-General, are doubtful as to their ability to obtain a sufficient number of members to enable them to start on a sound financial basis. They require 2,000 marks (\$500), which has not yet been secured.

Misses Rose and Ottille Sutro, of Baltimore, have given a successful concert at the Sing Academy

SPLIT ON SECTARIAN EDUCATION. ANTI-PARNELLITES GO OVER TO THE TORIES, BUT

LEADING UNIONISTS MAY ABANDON THEM. London, Dec. 14.-Justin McCarthy, the leader of the Anti-Parnellite section of the Irish Parliamentary party, delivered a speech at Walworth last Tuesday, in which he definitely committed that party to support the Tory schemes for sectarian education. Since then the disposition of the Liberais to throw Home Rule for Ireland overboard has become more decided. Mr. McCarthy obviously expects to obtain an agreement with the Government, under which a Roman Catholic University will be established in Ireland, besides satisfying the Catholic clericals in England by assisting o pass a measure which they have long desired. No policy could more absolutely allenate the sympathies of the Liberals. "The Speaker" asks if the Irish realize the fact that by thus attacking their Irish realize the fact that by thus attacking their English allies on a purely English question they will find it more difficult than ever to heal the breach. Already a distinguished Radical member of the late Fariament, who was a pronounced and ardent Home Ruler, has retired from an important honorary post held by him in the English Home Rule Union, owing to his disgust with the Irish members for going over bodily to the enemy, not on an Irish, but on an English question.

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The Conservative newspapers deny that there is a difference of opinion in the Cabinet on the education question, and the denial is partly true, for the reason that a definite measure is not yet before the Cabinet; but it is an open secret that the Duke of Devonshire, Mr. Chamberlain and Str John Gorst, vice-president of the Committee of the Council, are opposed to Lord Salisbury's tentative proposals. Mr. Chamberlain a organ, "The Birmingham Post," says that he has clearly ranged himself with the Duke of Devonshire against the Prime Minister.

THE SHIPBUILDERS' STRIKE STILL ON. ENGINEERS REJECT THE TERMS OFFERED BY THEIR EMPLOYERS.

Glasgow, Dec. 14.-The delegates representing the sirlking engineers of Belfast and the locked-out engineers of the Clyde have rejected by ballot the terms of settlement proposed by the conference of employers and employes presided over by Lord employers and employes presided over by Lord James. The terms were that the Clyde engineers should get an advance of a shilling a week, to go into effect immediately, and receive another shilling increase, beginning in February. The Belfast men were to receive a shilling a week advance, beginning in February, with the understanding that there should be no change in the rate of compensation for six months thereafter.

London, Dec. 14.—It is the belief in business circles interested in the strikes of the Belfast and

cles interested in the strikes of the Belfast and Clyde engineers and others employed in the shipbuilding industry that the employers will be beilding industry that the employers will be compelled to surrender and grant the demands of the workmen. An increasing number of orders from Japan and China for ships have been placed with Cryde firms. The British Admiralty will suffer no delay in the settlement of the dispate. The Admiralty has warned the firms with which it has contracts that the work must at any cost be completed within the time specified in the contracts. The workmen are fully cognizant of the situation and have not been slow to seize their advantage. The orders from Japan have been given conditionally, and they will be placed elsewhere if the dispute is prolonged.

The Spanish officers who were sent to the Cryde to obtain the rapid delivery of a marine engineering plant for their Government, threaten to withdraw their orders if work is not shortly resumed on them. The Norwegian Government has accepted German against Clyde tenders for two small armored ships, partly on account of the strike, and partly because of the lowness of the German tender. These facts are impressing a number of shipbuilding firms with the belief that it will be prudent for them to effect a settlement at the earliest time possible.

Besides the orders which she has placed on the Clyde. Spain is negotiating for the charter of six pelled to surrender and grant the demands of the

vessels belonging to the French General Transat-lantic Company. It is intended to arm these ves-sels with quick-firing guns for service in Cuban waters. She has also bought a third-class cruiser, ordered originally by China, which is now nearly completed at Kiel, and two old warships from the Forges et Chantlers, of Toulon.

ELECTION OF THE NEXT POPE. THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT SAID TO BE DETER MINED THAT THE CONCLAVE SHALL NOT BE HELD IN ITALY. London, Dec. 14.-Sir T. W. Reid, Editor of "The

Speaker." who has recently had interviews with leading Italian statesmen, gives semi-official importance to a startling declaration in the issuof that paper to-day regarding the intention of that paper to-day regarding the intention of the Italian Ministerialists in the event of the Pope's death. The sum of his long article, which, it is said, represents the views of the Italian Government, is that the conciave which will elect the next Pope must be held outside of Italy. The Government means to provide for what is called "an honorable exodus of the conciave." The practical common-sense of the Italian people is beginning to see that a foreign Pope would be practically unable to pose as a pretender to a temporal throne in Italy, while to an Italian Pope residing abroad such an attitude would involve the loss of the spiritual supremncy of the Italian Church, and the State protecting him would be bound by the international laws applicable to pretenders disturbing the peace of other States. SUNK BY ICE IN LAKE ERIE.

Amherstburg, Ont., Dec. 14.-The steamer Ranney, from Chicago to Buffalo with corn, was cut down by the ice and sunk a few miles southeast of the Dummy Light in Lake Erie last night. The steamer was run into comparatively shallow water before she rank, but the water is over her decks. Tugs with steam pumps have gone to her assistance. The ice is heavy and making fast. The Ranney was built at Cleveland in 1881, and is owned by M. A. Bradley, of that city. She carried about 55,000 bushes of corn. She is valued at \$55,000, and is insured.

KRAHN HELD FOR TRIAL

London, Dec. 14.-Herbert Krahn, allas Charles Roussell, who was arrested in New-York in October while trying to dispose of Canadian Pacific bonds glieged to have been stolen from Mrs. Winifred Gordon, of London, and whose extradition was granted by the United States authorities on appli-cation by English officers, was again arraigned to-day, and was fully committed for trial.

SEVEN KILLED BY AN EXPLOSION. Brussels, Dec. 14.-A powder magazine at Arlon, Belgian Luxembourg, exploded this morning, killing seven men.

ARCHIBALD FORDES SERIOUSLY ILL. London, Dec. 14.-Archibald Forbes, the wellknown was correspondent to seriously III.

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